

ABSTRACT

A data processing system having a display; a cursor control connected to the display for displacement of a cursor represented on the display; and a user-interface coupled to the cursor control for user-manipulation of the cursor via the cursor control. The cursor control is operative to displace the cursor at a relatively low speed relative to the display during a predetermined time interval upon activation of the user-interface and to displace the cursor at a relatively high speed after the predetermined time interval has elapsed. The speeds may be at fixed respective values, v_1 and v_2 . Alternatively, v_1 and v_2 may be the upper bounds of speed ranges, the cursor speed being continuously variable through the user-interface.